EXHIBIT E

Terri Pechner-James

June 22 Deposition Excerpts – Red Herrings

Argumentative, Combative, Refusal to Answer, Non-responsive, Evasive

1. Pages 1612 – 1614:

- Q. Did you like working in the radio
- 23 room?
- A. Yeah.
- 1 Q. What did you like about it?
- 2 A. I don't know.
- 3 Q. I'm sorry?
- 4 A. Liked working my job, period, no
- 5 matter where it was.
- 6 Q. Okay. So the radio room portion of
- 7 that job was a part of it that you enjoyed?
- 8 I'm not saying exclusively, but you did enjoy
- 9 that part of the job?
- 10 A. I enjoyed my whole job when I was
- 11 not under stress.
- 12 Q. Okay. And my question was, What
- 13 in particular about working in the radio room
- 14 did you like? What things that you did there
- 15 did you like doing?
- 16 A. I don't know.

- 17 Q. When you were working in the radio
- 18 room, you would be involved in dispatching,
- 19 correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. And you would also be involved in
- 22 answering the phones?
- A. Correct.
- Q. Would you also be involved in
- 1 talking with citizens at the window?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did you enjoy all three of
- 4 those aspects of working in the radio room?
- 5 A. Yes.

2. <u>Pages 1614 – 1619</u>:

- 10 Q. All right. Let me put the
- 11 complaint back in front of you, Exhibit 3 to
- 12 the deposition, ask you to look at
- 13 paragraph 30, please.
- 14 A. (Looks at document.)
- 15 Q. Have you reviewed paragraph 30?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. What stressful condition had

- 18 Lieutenant Foster created on August 4, '99?
- 19 I'm looking at the first sentence of
- 20 paragraph 30.
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. In the third line, at the far
- 23 right-hand side where it says Lieutenant
- 24 Foster, do you see that? Lieutenant Foster,
- 1 sentence carries over to the next line. Do
- 2 you see that?
- 3 A. Yeah.
- 4 Q. "Lieutenant Foster called plaintiff
- 5 at home and ordered her back to the station."
- When he called you at home, did he
- 7 call you on your home phone or call you on
- 8 your radio?
- 9 A. We've already discussed this.
- 10 Q. Okay. Well, I don't recall so --.
- 11 The answer to my question is what?
- 12 A. He didn't call me on the phone.
- Q. So he called you on the radio?
- 14 A. Captain Roland called me on the
- 15 radio.
- 16 Q. So the complaint is inaccurate here

- 17 where it says Lieutenant Foster?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. All right. Now, looking at your
- 20 notes on page 12, I direct your attention to
- 21 your notes, page 12, the big paragraph at the
- 22 top half begins on August 4, 1999, do you see
- 23 that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 1 Q. In your notes, you indicate that
- 2 you returned to the station at 3:30 P. M., you
- 3 put your briefcase into your car, you went
- 4 into the station to begin entering your
- 5 citations. Do you see that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. It then states that you began to
- 8 feel very faint and told Francis Cassoli
- 9 (phon). Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Do you recall why you were feeling
- 12 faint at about 3:30 P. M. on August 4, '99?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Were you feeling faint because of
- 15 something that Lieutenant Foster had done that

- 16 day?
- 17 A. I don't remember.
- 18 Q. Were you feeling faint because of
- 19 something Lieutenant Foster had done some day
- 20 previously?
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. Okay. Were you feeling faint
- 23 because of some stress related to the job?
- A. I don't remember. Yes, I was sick.
- 1 Q. Okay. So is it fair to say that
- 2 the allegation in the first sentence of
- 3 paragraph 30 is incorrect?
- 4 MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. I'm sorry?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. So as you sit here today, you're
- 9 telling me that, in fact, you were feeling
- 10 faint because of the stressful condition
- 11 created by Lieutenant Foster on August 4 of
- 12 '99?
- 13 A. I don't remember.
- 14 Q. So you can't tell me whether or not

- 15 the first sentence in paragraph 30 is true or
- 16 not, can you?
- 17 MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- 18 A. I don't remember what happened that
- 19 day.
- Q. Okay. So the answer to my question
- 21 is correct. You can't tell me whether or not
- 22 the first sentence of paragraph 30 is true or
- 23 correct?
- MR. DILDAY: Objection, again.
- 1 A. No.
- Q. Is there anything in your notes
- 3 here, particularly the August 4 entry, which
- 4 in any way suggests that Lieutenant Foster
- 5 created a stressful condition that made you
- 6 feel faint?
- 7 A. Created a stressful condition every
- 8 day I went to work with him.
- 9 Q. Every single day?
- 10 A. Every day.
- 11 Q. Every day from '96 to '97 before
- 12 you transferred off?
- 13 A. Yes.

- 14 Q. And every day from when you got
- 15 back on his shift in July of '99 until
- 16 whenever?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And so what had Lieutenant
- 19 Foster done as of August 4, '99 that made you
- 20 feel faint at 3:30 in the afternoon?
- MR. DILDAY: Asked and answered.
- 22 A. What I --
- Q. And the answer is you don't know,
- 24 correct, or don't remember?
- 1 A. I don't remember.

3. Pages 1625 – 1627:

- 1 Q. Do you understand the assignment to
- 2 the radio room to be an actual punitive
- 3 assignment for some violation that occurred
- 4 the day before?
- 5 A. He allowed his daughter to leave
- 6 every single day early --
- 7 Q. No. Ms. Pechner, that's not the
- 8 answer to the question.
- 9 A. No. That's not the answer that you

- 10 don't want.
- 11 Q. No. Ms. Pechner --
- 12 A. Okay?
- 13 Q. The question --
- 14 A. You asked me a question and I'm
- 15 answering it.
- 16 Q. No, you are not answering it.
- 17 MR. PORR: Mr. Dilday, that is not
- 18 responsive. It isn't evenly remotely
- 19 responsive.
- MR. DILDAY: She's telling you how
- 21 she considers it to be punitive. She's going
- 22 to tell you that he allowed his daughter to
- 23 leave early, but he never assigned her
- 24 anywhere differently. But when she left early
- 1 because of illness, he assigned her to a
- 2 different shift.
- 3 MR. PORR: Well, it's the same
- 4 shift. He just assigned her to the radio
- 5 room.
- 6 MR. DILDAY: I'm sorry. You're
- 7 right.
- 8 Q. So Mr. Dilday represents that what

- 9 you were going to tell me was, Lieutenant
- 10 Foster would let his daughter leave early, but
- never assigned her to the radio room, but when
- you left early, he assigned you to the radio
- room, correct? 13
- 14 Right. A.
- 15 And you considered that to be
- punitive? 16
- 17 Yes.
- 18 Okay. Did you consider it to be
- punitive in the sense of a disciplinary action 19
- 20 taken against you?
- 21 A. Disciplinary because he only did it
- to me as a female. He did not do it to
- anybody else when they left. There were cars,
- dates, there were cars, people would leave
- early, people would go to their details 15
- minutes early, people would go to the school
- early. This was another attack against me 3
- 4 from Lieutenant Foster.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- All the other supervisors didn't 6
- 7 have a problem. They knew I was leaving.

- 8 Q. On August 5th, did you consider
- 9 this to be an attack against you by Lieutenant
- 10 Foster?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. The attack, did you consider
- 13 it to be a disciplinary attack in terms of
- 14 discipline for misconduct on your part?
- 15 A. No. It was to humiliate me.
- 16 Q. So you didn't consider it to be a
- 17 disciplinary action for some act of
- 18 misconduct?
- 19 A. No.

4. <u>Pages 1629 – 1630</u>:

- Q. Why was it humiliating to be
- 19 assigned to the radio room?
- A. Because of the way Lieutenant
- 21 Foster stormed in there with the television.
- 22 Lieutenant Foster was intimidating me. He was
- 23 humiliating me. So find something else
- 24 because you have all the notes here and you
- 1 can grab everybody you want and talk to them

- 2 about the way Lieutenant Foster treated me.
- 3 Q. Storming into the radio room was a
- 4 month before.
- 5 A. There was no storming into the
- 6 radio room. That's Lieutenant Foster's idea
- 7 of storming into the radio room.
- 8 Q. No. I thought you said he stormed
- 9 into the radio room on July 5th.
- 10 A. No. It says in there that I
- 11 stormed out of roll call into the radio room.
- 12 That's what Lieutenant Foster put.
- 13 Q. My point is, why, on August 5th of
- 14 '99, was being assigned to the radio room
- 15 humiliating?
- 16 A. And I've answered that question.
- 17 Q. I'm sorry. I didn't understand the
- 18 answer then. If could you please restate it.
- 19 A. I've already answered it.

5. <u>Pages 1631 – 1632</u>:

- 15 Q. Is it your contention that on
- 16 August 7th you were again assigned inside for
- 17 punishment?

- 18 A. Whatever you'd like to call it.
- 19 Q. No. I'm asking, is it your
- 20 contention?
- A. That I was punished because I was
- 22 sick and I went to the nurse's office? That's
- 23 mine.
- Q. My question is, was it -- is it
- 1 your contention that the August 7th assignment
- 2 to the radio room was punishment?
- 3 A. Because I left sick?
- 4 Q. For whatever reason.
- 5 A. I don't know. I don't know.
- 6 Q. Well, it was my understanding you
- 7 considered the August 5th assignment to the
- 8 radio room to be punishment, correct?
- 9 A. Whatever Lieutenant Foster did to
- 10 me was punishment.
- 11 Q. So both the August 5th and the
- 12 August 7th assignments to the radio room were
- 13 punishment as far as you were concerned?
- 14 A. (Looks at documents.)
- 15 Q. Yes? No? Do you not understand
- 16 the question?

- 17 A. (Looks at documents.) No. Can you
- 18 ask it again?
- 19 Q. So both the August 5th and the
- 20 August 7th assignments to the radio room were
- 21 punishment as far as you were concerned?
- 22 A. Yes.

6. <u>Pages 1650 – 1653</u>:

- 14 Q. Looking at the next entry, it's an
- 15 August 12 entry, indicates you're standing in
- 16 the rear of the station and you're standing
- 17 there with Officer John Goodwin and you
- 18 observed Officer Anthony Macone leaving 15
- 19 minutes early. Do you see that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know why Officer Macone left
- 22 15 minutes early?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Do you know if he had cleared that
- 1 with any supervisor?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. So as far as you know, he may have
- 4 been within his rights to have left 15 minutes

- 5 earlier that day?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. I'm sorry?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Why do you say that?
- 10 A. I'm not going to guess whether he
- 11 spoke to his supervisor or he didn't.
- 12 Q. Right. So you have no idea one way
- 13 or the other?
- 14 A. I watched every day people leave
- 15 early. They didn't speak with a supervisor.
- 16 Q. I'm talking about the August 12th
- 17 entry in your notes and Officer Macone.
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. You have no idea why he left 15
- 20 minutes early that day?
- A. Maybe went to a detail.
- Q. But you don't have any idea. You
- 23 don't know, do you?
- 24 A. No.
- 1 Q. And you don't know whether or not
- 2 he got that cleared through his supervisor, do
- 3 you?

- 4 A. I don't know.
- 5 Q. So you don't know if it was totally
- 6 legitimate or not, do you?
- 7 A. Don't know.
- 8 Q. Did you write this in your notes
- 9 because you thought he didn't have permission
- 10 to leave early?
- 11 A. I just wrote it in my notes.
- 12 Q. I'm sorry?
- 13 A. I just wrote it in my notes.
- 14 Q. Why?
- 15 A. I felt like it.
- 16 Q. Why did you feel like it?
- MR. DILDAY: She's answered the
- 18 question. She felt like it.
- MR. PORR: I'm asking if there was
- 20 a reason why she felt like it.
- A. Because I was being harassed for
- 22 leaving while I was sick and officers leave on
- 23 a regular basis early. They come in late. I
- 24 was never late. I never left early.
- 1 I never had a problem coming in or
- 2 leaving, and, all of a sudden, I'm sick, and I

- 3 get written up for leaving 15 minutes early.
- 4 Q. All right. And so on the 12th when
- 5 you saw Officer Macone leaving 15 minutes
- 6 early, you felt that he should have been
- 7 written up for doing it?
- 8 A. No. I just felt I'd start taking
- 9 note of who leaves and comes early and late.
- 10 Q. Okay. Well, you indicate here "and
- 11 nothing was said to him."
- 12 A. Right.
- Q. So my expectation is the reason you
- 14 wrote that is because you felt something
- 15 should have been said to him?
- 16 A. Right.

7. Pages 1653 – 1660:

- Q. Okay. There's an August 13th entry
- 24 on your notes here.
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And this indicates that you were
- 3 inside the station along with Lyn Curcio.
- 4 And, again, I assume that's in the radio room?

- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Okay. And Lieutenant Ford was in
- 7 charge of the station that day. What do you
- 8 mean by that?
- 9 A. He was in charge of the station.
- 10 Q. Does that mean that Lieutenant
- 11 Foster was not on duty that day?
- 12 A. I don't know what Lieutenant Foster
- 13 was doing.
- 14 Q. Okay. Would both Lieutenant Ford
- 15 and Lieutenant Foster have been on duty at the
- 16 same time in the station?
- 17 A. All I know is that Lieutenant Ford
- 18 was the officer in charge of the station that
- 19 day.
- Q. And Lieutenant Foster is senior to
- 21 Lieutenant Ford, correct?
- A. I don't know.
- Q. You don't?
- 24 A. No.
- 1 Q. Isn't it true that Lieutenant
- 2 Foster was, in fact, senior to Lieutenant Ford
- 3 and by some years?

- 4 A. Okay. I don't know. They were
- 5 lieutenants. How do I know how long they've
- 6 been on the job for?
- 7 Q. Is it your testimony that
- 8 Lieutenant Ford was a lieutenant when you
- 9 showed up in February of '96?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And you didn't know that Lieutenant
- 12 Foster was senior to him? You never learned
- 13 that in the number of years you worked there?
- 14 A. I don't know.
- 15 Q. In any event, if Lieutenant Ford is
- 16 in charge of the station, what does that mean?
- 17 A. That he's the officer in charge.
- 18 Q. Okay. But what does it mean to be
- 19 the officer in charge?
- A. That he's in charge of the shift
- 21 that day.
- Q. Okay. So you would report to him
- 23 as the supervisor in charge of the shift?
- A. Correct.
- 1 Q. All right. So it indicates here
- 2 that you observed Lyn Curcio turn on the

- 3 television set?
- 4 A. Right.
- 5 Q. And then you told Lyn that you had
- 6 been written up for the television so you
- 7 asked her to turn it off?
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. Okay. And then Lieutenant Ford
- 10 said, "It's okay. I told her she could leave
- 11 it on." Correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. So then you apparently had a
- 14 discussion with Lieutenant Ford about the
- 15 problems you were having with Lieutenant
- 16 Foster related to the TV, right?
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. Okay. But Lieutenant Foster wasn't
- 19 the OIC that day. Lieutenant Ford was, right?
- A. Right.
- Q. Okay. So Ford says, "I'm in charge
- 22 and if I say it's okay, then it's okay"?
- A. Right.
- Q. Okay. Because he was the OIC that
- 1 day, right?

- A. Right.
- 3 Q. All right. Why did you go to the
- 4 chief's office after Lieutenant Ford, who was
- 5 in charge of the station that day said it was
- 6 okay for Lyn Curcio to turn on the TV?
- 7 A. Why did Lieutenant Foster go to
- 8 captain -- to acting chief Colannino when he
- 9 wrote me up?
- 10 MR. PORR: Mr. Dilday, that's not
- 11 responsive.
- 12 THE WITNESS: No. I'm answering
- 13 the question.
- MR. PORR: That's not an answer.
- 15 It's a question back. It's a sarcastic
- 16 question back. It's not related to my
- 17 question.
- MR. DILDAY: Try to let her
- 19 explain, and then you might get your answer as
- 20 it comes through. I don't know what her
- 21 answer's going to be.
- MR. PORR: It was a question.
- MR. DILDAY: I don't know why she
- 24 went to Foster -- to Colannino. You don't

- 1 know why she went to Colannino.
- 2 A. Because I was just written up for
- 3 watching the TV, and they didn't follow the
- 4 chain of command when I was written up for
- 5 watching TV.
- 6 Had they followed the chain of
- 7 command, Lieutenant Foster would have went to
- 8 Captain Roland, and Lieutenant Foster did not
- 9 go to Captain Roland because I was watching
- 10 TV. He skipped that and he went to Chief
- 11 Colannino.
- Therefore, instead of me going to
- 13 Captain Roland, because Chief Colannino was
- 14 already involved in this, I walked outside of
- 15 the radio room and told Chief Colannino what
- 16 had happened.
- 17 Q. And why did you bother going to the
- 18 chief at all when Lieutenant Ford said, "I'm
- 19 the OIC today and I say it's okay"?
- A. Because maybe I'm a little
- 21 confused. What one OIC says is okay but the
- 22 other OIC is different. Double standard for
- 23 every single supervisor in that place. So

- 24 Bernie says you can't watch TV but Ford can.
- 1 Q. All right.
- 2 A. Okay? So past practice.
- 3 Q. So what's wrong with that?
- 4 A. You know, the television should be
- 5 allowed to be on for everybody, whether it's
- 6 Bernie in charge of it, whether it's Ford in
- 7 charge of it.
- 8 The television is supplied by the
- 9 City of Revere, it should be allowed to be
- 10 turned on, and certain individuals should not
- 11 be picked out and written up for watching
- 12 television.
- 13 Q. Now, who says it should be allowed
- 14 to be turned on simply because the City
- 15 provides it?
- 16 A. Well, why is it in there, Attorney
- 17 Porr? Why do you have --
- MR. PORR: That's not responsive,
- 19 Mr. Dilday.
- A. You're in the radio room of a
- 21 police department, and a control room where
- 22 all the operations take place, and there's a

- 23 television in there.
- MR. PORR: It's not responsive,
- 1 Mr. Dilday.
- 2 MR. DILDAY: I believe she's
- 3 answering the best she can. It's not the
- 4 answer you want, but she's telling you that if
- 5 you can't watch the TV --
- 6 MR. PORR: I don't want the
- 7 nonresponsive answer.
- 8 MR. DILDAY: -- there's no reason
- 9 for it to be there.
- 10 MR. PORR: You're right. I don't
- 11 want the nonresponsive answer.
- THE WITNESS: That's responsive.
- MR. DILDAY: And I'm not going to
- 14 tell her to answer it any other way, Mr. Porr.

8. Pages 1660 – 1661:

- Q. Do you think it is your prerogative
- 16 to determine that if there's a TV provided, it
- 17 has to be on, you should be allowed to watch
- 18 it?
- 19 MR. DILDAY: Objection.

- MR. PORR: Fine. Noted.
- 21 (Cell phone rings.)
- Q. Do you understand the question?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. You're a patrol officer, right?
- 1 That's all you were is a patrol officer?
- A. That's all I was.
- 3 Q. You didn't set policy for the
- 4 Revere Police Department, did you?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. That policy was set by the chief,
- 7 correct?
- 8 A. There was no policy.
- 9 Q. Whatever policies existed were set
- 10 by the chief, correct?
- 11 A. There was no policy.
- 12 Q. To the extent any policies existed,
- 13 they were set by the chief, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.

9. <u>Pages 1661 – 1666</u>:

- 18 Q. So what difference does it make to
- 19 you if one lieutenant says you can watch the

- 20 TV and another lieutenant says you can't?
- A. Because it's harassment.
- Q. Why is that harassment?
- A. Because Bernie Foster allowed
- 24 anybody he wanted to watch TV except for me,
- 1 and he wrote me up for it.
- Q. But on the other question --
- 3 A. Because he didn't like me.
- 4 Q. Okay. That's one issue. But on
- 5 the issue of one lieutenant letting people
- 6 watch TV and another lieutenant not letting
- 7 them watch TV, that's not harassment, that's
- 8 just a difference in lieutenants, correct?
- 9 A. I was given an order not to watch
- 10 the television.
- 11 Q. When you were on duty with
- 12 Lieutenant Foster, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. That order didn't apply when you
- 15 were on duty with some other supervisor,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. To me, it would.
- 18 Q. Why?

- 19 A. Because I was written up for
- 20 conduct unbecoming for watching the
- 21 television.
- Q. By Lieutenant Foster?
- A. It doesn't matter who I was written
- 24 up by. I was written up for something by a
- 1 superior officer, they both have the same
- 2 rank, they both should be on the same page.
- 3 They meet with each other, they concur of
- 4 what's going on, on that shift.
- 5 Q. Who says they both should be on the
- 6 same page?
- 7 A. Because that's the administration.
- 8 But, you're right, the administration is never
- 9 on the same page.
- 10 Q. Who says that two lieutenants have
- 11 to agree about whether or not the TV is on or
- 12 off?
- 13 A. Well, they certainly agreed when
- 14 they were assigning me on walking routes down
- 15 Shirley Ave. They agreed on that. That was
- 16 okay.
- 17 Q. But who says -- is there a law, is

- 18 there a regulation, or is there anything that
- 19 you can think of that says two lieutenants
- 20 have to agree on whether or not the TV is on?
- 21 MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- Q. Can you identify anything?
- A. There's no policy in the Revere
- 24 Police Department regarding the television.
- 1 Q. So it's up to the discretion of the
- 2 individual lieutenants who are OICs, correct?
- 3 MR. DILDAY: Objection, again.
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. It wasn't?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Then who was it up to? You?
- 8 A. Good question. The mayor. The
- 9 mayor of the City of Revere should have never
- 10 allowed for a television to be put into the
- 11 radio control room where all 911 calls and the
- 12 communication was being coming through in the
- 13 radio room. Okay?
- 14 Q. And what do you base that upon?
- 15 A. That's your answer. Because it
- 16 shouldn't have been in there.

- 17 Q. And what do you base that upon?
- 18 A. It shouldn't have been in there. I
- 19 base that upon it shouldn't have been in there
- 20 in the first place.
- 21 Q. Why?
- A. Then we wouldn't have had this
- 23 problem. We wouldn't have had the problem
- 24 where Terri James wasn't allowed to watch the
- 1 television because it shouldn't have been in
- 2 there in the first place.
- 3 Q. And Lieutenant Foster was the only
- 4 one that ever did that to you?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And the only time he ever did that
- 9 to you was on July 5 of '99?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And I have to assume that on other
- 12 shifts at other times with Lieutenant Foster
- 13 you watched the TV and he knew about it?
- 14 A. I didn't have a choice. I tried to
- 15 stop them from watching TV after I was

- 16 reprimanded. I followed his orders. I told
- 17 them to shut the TV off because that was an
- 18 order I was given by Lieutenant Foster. I
- 19 followed my rules --
- Q. While he was on duty?
- A. No, it wasn't for when he was on
- 22 duty. It was --
- Q. How would Lieutenant Foster have
- 24 any ability to determine what other
- 1 lieutenants would do when they were in charge
- 2 of the station?
- 3 MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- 4 A. Because he should have moved the TV
- 5 out of the radio room. Because if it's not
- 6 good for one person, if it's not good for me
- 7 and he just wants to harass me about the
- 8 television, then it should have been removed
- 9 from the radio room.
- 10 Q. All right.
- 11 A. You worked for a sheriff's
- 12 department. Did they allow a TV in there?

10. <u>Page 1666 – 1669</u>:

- 18 Q. All right. And then you complained
- 19 to the chief, "Well, it's not fair because
- 20 Foster is singling me out and saying I can't
- 21 watch TV and now Ford is saying it's okay to
- 22 watch TV"?
- A. Right.
- Q. And the chief's basic response to
- 1 you was, "If Ford says it's okay, it's okay"?
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. "And if Foster says it's not okay,
- 4 it's not okay"?
- 5 A. He said, "Go through your chain of
- 6 command." That's what he said.
- 7 Q. And in talking with the chief, you
- 8 walked away with the understanding that if
- 9 Ford says it's okay, it's okay. Right?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. You didn't walk away with that
- 12 understanding?
- 13 A. My understanding was that I should
- 14 go through the chain of command.
- Q. When the chief said to you, and you

- 16 have it in quotes, it is up to Lieutenant Ford
- if he wants to watch the television, period,
- 18 unquote.
- 19 You understood that to mean that
- the chief was telling you if Lieutenant Ford
- says it's okay to watch TV, it's okay to watch 21
- 22 TV?
- 23 A. Right. That's how he runs his
- police department.
- Q. Okay. And, conversely, you also 1
- understood the chief to be telling you, if not
- certainly in words, by implication, that if
- 4 Lieutenant Foster says it's not okay to watch
- 5 TV, it's not okay to watch TV?
- A. So if Lieutenant Foster walked in 6
- on that shift and I was watching television
- and Lieutenant Ford said it was okay, he could
- still write me up because he's the supervisor.
- 10 That's okay.
- 11 Q. Did that ever happen?
- 12 A. That's okay.
- 13 Did that ever happen?
- 14 A. I wasn't going to wait for that to

- 15 happen. I wasn't going to wait for that to
- 16 happen. You see the dates? I simply wasn't
- 17 going to wait for Lieutenant Foster to walk in
- 18 and the television be on and I be sitting
- 19 there and I get an earful again.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- A. Because nobody else was ever
- 22 written up about the television. Nobody.
- Q. And when the chief --
- A. Why do you think Chief Colannino
- 1 turned around and took me out of the position
- 2 of being assigned back into the radio room
- 3 because Bernie Foster was wrong for writing me
- 4 up for watching the television in the first
- 5 place.
- 6 Q. So when the chief told you that it
- 7 is up to Lieutenant Ford if he wants to watch
- 8 the television, didn't that communicate to you
- 9 that if Lieutenant Ford said it was okay, and
- 10 when Lieutenant Ford was the OIC, that it
- 11 didn't matter what Lieutenant Foster thought
- 12 at that time?
- 13 A. I don't know what the chief's, you

- 14 know, I don't know what --
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. -- the chief's position was.

11. <u>Pages 1669 – 1673</u>:

- Q. Now, we've been talking about this
- 22 August 13th date from page 14 of your notes,
- 23 and paragraph 33 also refers to a date of on
- 24 or about August 13. Do you see that?
- 1 A. Yup.
- 2 Q. And you were working in the radio
- 3 room?
- 4 A. Yup.
- 5 Q. And you indicate that you
- 6 experienced an act of disparate treatment. Do
- 7 you see that?
- 8 A. Yup.
- 9 Q. It goes on to say a male officer
- 10 turned on the television?
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 Q. Your notes say Lyn Curcio turned on
- 13 the television?

- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Lyn Curcio is, of course, a female
- 16 officer?
- 17 A. Right.
- Q. So the complaint is wrong when it
- 19 says a male officer turned on the television,
- 20 isn't it?
- A. No. Because I shut the television
- 22 off and Lieutenant Ford turned it back on.
- Q. Oh, where does it say that in your
- 24 notes?
- 1 A. It doesn't say it.
- Q. Oh. So the male officer who turned
- 3 the television on is actually Lieutenant Ford?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And he's a supervisor?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. And, in fact, on that date in
- 8 question, he was the officer in charge of the
- 9 whole station?
- 10 A. I don't know about the whole
- 11 station, but his shift.
- 12 Q. Well, your notes say Lieutenant

- 13 Steven Ford was in charge of the station that
- 14 day.
- 15 A. Yeah. The station, his men that
- 16 are assigned to his tour of duty.
- 17 Q. And you were one of those men?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. So the lieutenant on duty
- 20 who did not reprimand him or ask him to turn
- 21 off the television is Lieutenant Ford, right?
- A. No. Roy Colannino.
- Q. Roy Colannino wasn't a lieutenant.
- A. He's the captain.
- 1 Q. Your complaint says, "The
- 2 lieutenant on duty did not reprimand him or
- 3 ask him to turn off the television."
- 4 The lieutenant on duty was Steven
- 5 Ford, right?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. And the male officer who turned on
- 8 the television was Lieutenant Steven Ford?
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. So what you're saying is Lieutenant
- 11 Steven Ford did not reprimand himself or tell

- 12 himself to turn off the television?
- 13 A. I don't know.
- 14 Q. I'm sorry? You're shaking your
- 15 head. What do you mean by that?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 Q. I'm just putting the names in for
- 18 the descriptors you've used in your complaint
- 19 here. I'm just filling in the names for the
- 20 vague descriptors.
- 21 The way your complaint reads when
- 22 you put the names in, based upon your
- 23 testimony, is that Lieutenant Ford was on duty
- 24 and didn't reprimand himself or ask himself to
- 1 turn off the television.
- 2 Once you put the names in, isn't
- 3 that how it reads?
- 4 A. There was a male -- another -- John
- 5 Burke was in there too, I believe.
- 6 Q. Any reference to John Burke in your
- 7 notes of August 14th?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did John Burke turn on the
- 10 television?

- 11 A. Somebody turned it on.
- 12 Q. Well, your notes say Lyn Curcio
- 13 turned it on.
- 14 A. Right.
- Q. And then your complaint says a male
- 16 turned it on. And when I asked you about
- 17 that, you told me that Lyn Curcio turned it
- 18 on, you turned it off, and Lieutenant Ford
- 19 turned it back on; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Is that what, in fact, happened?
- 22 A. Yes.

12. <u>Pages 1692 – 1693</u>:

- Q. Okay. Between December 7, when you
- 16 first contacted Dr. Barry, and then your
- 17 appointment on the 13th and then your
- 18 appointment on January 6th of 2000, had there
- 19 been any further incidents of harassment
- 20 involving Lieutenant Foster?
- A. I'm sure. I don't remember.
- Q. I'm sorry?
- A. I don't remember.

- Q. Did you say "I'm sure"?
- 1 A. Yeah. I'm sure. I don't remember.
- 2 I don't remember what occurred.
- Q. Okay. But I want to make sure I
- 4 understand you. Are you saying "I'm sure"
- 5 meaning "I'm sure there must have been other
- 6 events, but I don't remember," or are you just
- 7 saying "I don't remember"?
- 8 A. I don't remember.

13. Pages 1708 –1709:

- 7 Q. Okay. When you went to roll call,
- 8 did you tell Lieutenant Santoro about what had
- 9 happened out in the hallway with Captain
- 10 Chaulk -- or, I'm sorry, in the radio room, I
- 11 guess it was?
- 12 A. Well, sergeant -- I mean, if you
- 13 look at my notes, Sergeant Goodwin and
- 14 Sergeant Doherty were standing there. After
- 15 roll call, I went over to Captain Chaulk and
- 16 Chief Roy Colannino standing in the hall and
- 17 asked why it's okay for the men to ride the

- 18 bikes ---
- 19 THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. I can't
- 20 hear you.
- 21 A. I'm sorry. Did you want me to read
- 22 this?
- Q. No. No. My question was, Did you
- 24 tell Lieutenant Santoro what had just happened
- 1 with Captain Chaulk, and I think your answer
- 2 was no, and then you started making reference
- 3 to the fact that Sergeant Goodwin and Sergeant
- 4 Doherty had seen that interaction occur?
- 5 A. Right.

14. <u>Pages 1715 – 1717</u>:

- Q. Okay. And then there is, I think,
- 3 three entries that go together: April 20,
- 4 2000, May 3rd of 2000, and May 25 of 2000.
- 5 This involves an altercation between you and
- 6 Officer Kathy Lavita Fish, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. What exactly was the nature of the
- 9 altercation? What happened?
- 10 A. We discussed that in prior

- depositions. 11
- 12 Q. Okay. Well, just to refresh my
- recollection so I can move on with some
- follow-up questions, what was the nature of
- the altercation in the garage? 15
- 16 A. Again, you asked that. I refuse to
- answer it. Go by the answer I said in the
- previous depositions. 18
- Q. And, Ms. Pechner, I'll tell you 19
- that we're on like Volume VIII or IX of your
- deposition. Each volume is several hundred 21
- pages in length. And, in fact, we just
- reviewed earlier today pages 1550 to 1560 to
- get this deposition going.
- 1 I don't have 1500 pages of
- deposition testimony committed to memory. All
- right? I'm trying to ask a series of
- follow-up questions and move through your
- notes chronologically, so in order to do so --5
- 6 A. You've already done that
- chronologically, Attorney Porr. You've
- already asked me that at a prior deposition.
- 9 So I'm just trying to help you get through

- 10 this deposition so we can finish it, because
- 11 we've already discussed it, and I've already
- 12 given you the answer.
- Q. I don't recall ever asking you
- 14 questions about these three events. I have
- 15 been going through the complaint and your
- 16 notes chronologically for the sessions I've
- 17 had. I have not, to my recollection, asked
- 18 you about this.
- So in order to work through these
- 20 notes, so if I could get a brief description
- 21 again of the altercation so we can go forward,
- 22 again, I would appreciate it.
- 23 Are you continuing to refuse to
- 24 give me a description of the altercation?
- 1 A. Yes.

15. Pages 1717 – 1718:

- 17 Q. Okay. Did you grieve or otherwise
- 18 appeal the discipline being imposed upon you
- 19 because of this reprimand?
- 20 A. No.

- Q. Why not?
- A. Wouldn't get me anywhere.
- Q. And why do you say it wouldn't get
- 24 you anywhere?
- 1 A. I don't know.
- Q. I'm sorry?
- 3 A. I don't know.

16. <u>Pages 1718 – 1727</u>:

- Q. Your note on May 25, in the last
- 24 sentence, says, "I have come to the
- 1 understand" -- I think you mean understanding
- 2 -- "that he," which is a reference back to the
- 3 chief, "just does not care and that he's
- 4 afraid of what Lieutenant Bernard Foster has
- 5 under his belt..." Do you see that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Is that a reference back to the
- 8 incident involving Bernadette?
- 9 A. Quite a few incidents.
- 10 Q. Okay. What other incidents, in
- 11 addition to the incident involving Bernadette,
- 12 are you referring to?
- 13 A. The way he put his son on the job.

- 14 Q. The way who put whose son on the
- 15 job?
- 16 A. The way Roy Colannino put his son
- 17 on the job.
- 18 Q. How did Roy Colannino put his son
- 19 on the job?
- A. He put him on as a Spanish-speaking
- 21 officer.
- Q. Okay. This is back in '96,
- 23 correct? February.
- A. Correct.
- 1 Q. And what was Roy Colannino's rank
- 2 back in February of '96?
- 3 A. Captain.
- 4 Q. Okay. And if I understand it, to
- 5 get appointed as a police officer in the
- 6 Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you have to
- 7 pass a Civil Service test, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And then you have to complete an
- 10 academy, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Okay. And did Captain Colannino

- 13 have anything to do with Kevin Colannino
- passing the Civil Service test?
- 15 A. Well, he applied for a
- Spanish-speaking officer's position.
- Q. Okay. And who did he apply to for 17
- that Spanish-speaking officer position? 18
- 19 A. I don't know.
- 20 Q. Isn't that part of the Civil
- Service process? 21
- 22 A. The exam was given at the Revere
- High School. 23
- 24 Okay. By who?
- 1 Spanish teacher.
- 2 Okay. All right. And do you have
- any knowledge to suggest that Captain
- Colannino had anything to do with the giving
- 5 of that exam or its outcome?
- A. Yeah. That Kevin got the job and 6
- 7 he can't speak Spanish.
- 8 Q. Okay. Aside from the fact that,
- according to you, anyways, that Kevin can't
- speak Spanish and nonetheless got the job, do
- 11 you have any knowledge of Captain Colannino

- 12 having anything to do with the exam given at
- 13 Revere High School?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay. And with respect to Kevin
- 16 Colannino's completing the academy, did he go
- 17 to the same academy you went to?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Did Captain Colannino have anything
- 20 to do with him successfully completing that
- 21 academy?
- A. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. So how is it that Captain
- 24 Colannino got his son appointed to the
- 1 Spanish-speaking position with the Revere
- 2 Police Department?
- 3 A. The same way that he got his son
- 4 seniority over the female officers.
- 5 Q. And how did he do that?
- 6 A. I don't know.
- 7 Q. So you don't know that he did that,
- 8 correct? You have no direct knowledge that he
- 9 did any of these things?
- 10 A. Yes. I have knowledge.

- 11 Q. Okay. And what knowledge do you
- 12 have?
- 13 A. That he went by scores, and he put
- 14 his son above people that scored higher.
- 15 Q. How did he do that?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 Q. Okay. So you don't know that he
- 18 did that at all, do you?
- 19 A. He did do it.
- Q. And how do you know that?
- A. Because the list came out and Kevin
- 22 was on top of the list.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- A. And officers that scored higher
- 1 than Kevin Colannino were below him.
- Q. Who publishes the list?
- 3 A. Chief Colannino.
- 4 Q. He wasn't chief at the time.
- 5 A. He was acting.
- 6 Q. Not in '96, he wasn't.
- 7 A. Then his boy Russo did it.
- 8 Q. Why do you say "his boy Russo"?
- 9 A. Because that's his boy.

- 10 Ms. James, you've got your hands in
- front of your head and you've got your face
- down, and madam reporter is really straining
- to hear you, and it makes it difficult for her
- to take down what you're saying given the
- posture that you've adopted and your low
- 16 voice.
- 17 Can we do something about that? I
- mean, at lease out of respect for her, if you
- 19 could speak up so that she could hear you.
- 20 A. Attorney Porr, this isn't a respect
- thing. Okay? I have gone through nine 21
- 22 depositions. Okay? Nine. This has nothing
- 23 to do with respect. I've never had a problem
- with Attorney Akerson. I've answered the
- questions. I'm physically and mentally sick.
- 2 Okay?
- 3 Are you physically --
- 4 I have a migraine. I have a
- migraine and it's taken -- this has taken a
- 6 toll on me. Okay?
- 7 Q. Are you physically and mentally
- 8 sick to the point where you can't continue?

- 9 A. I need to finish this case and I
- 10 will do whatever it is that I have to, to
- finish the case. Okay? 11
- 12 If I can't speak up because I have
- a migraine, that's what happens when I have
- 14 migraines. Okay?
- 15 If I can't remember something that
- you want me to answer in your way, it's
- because I can't remember it. 17
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. I'm trying to do my best at this
- 20 deposition under the conditions. Okay?
- What conditions? 21
- 22 Under the conditions.
- 23 What conditions?
- 24 That this room here is where I was
 - sworn in as a police officer. Okay?
- 2 Q. Okay. Would you prefer we move to
- a different room? 3
- A. You know what? I just want to get 4
- 5 the depositions over with.
- MR. CAPIZZI: I've raised this with 6
- 7 Mr. Dilday about not doing them here because

- 8 of the allegations made. He prefers this for
- his convenience. That's why we're here.
- Mr. Akerson's depositions are supposed to be
- conducted in Worcester. 11
- 12 We're doing it here as a
- convenience to both Mr. Dilday and his 13
- clients. I've had a brief discussion about
- this in the past. I just want that known on 15
- 16 the record.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 (Off-the-record discussion between
- Mr. Dilday and the witness.) 19
- 20 Q. I'm trying to nail down because I'm
- 21 entitled to nail down the basis for your
- statement that Captain Colannino got Kevin
- Colannino's name at the top of the list, and
- you said because "his boy Russo" did it, and I
- want to know the basis for your statement "his
- boy Russo." 2
- 3 There's no basis.
- 4 Okay. All right. So given the
- fact that I am asking you questions and you
- 6 are under oath and obligated to answer them

- 7 truthfully all right? I now have to back
- 8 up and reask a series of questions because
- you've now told me that there's no basis for a
- statement you just made.
- 11 The Civil Service list that is
- produced, isn't it produced through the state 12
- Civil Service system?
- 14 A. I don't know how the Civil Service
- is produced. I was hired as a female officer.
- 16 Kevin Colannino was hired as a
- Spanish-speaking officer as well as Sonia 17
- Fernandez and Antonio Arcos. 18
- 19 All I know is that I was requested
- by Chief Russo to submit my grades because 20
- Lynn Malatesta and Patty Carey had put in a
- grievance and called in the feds because Roy
- Colannino had his son put on the job as a
- Spanish-speaking officer.
- Q. And my question to you is, How do 1
- 2 you know that Roy Colannino was able to do
- 3 that and, in fact, did do so?
- A. I don't know. 4
- 5 Okay. So while you believe that to

- 6 be true, you have no basis in fact for it?
- 7 You cannot --
- 8 A. Well, I have facts that Patty Carey
- 9 and Lynn Malatesta and the rest of the females
- 10 won their seniority based on that.
- 11 Q. I understand you won your
- 12 grievance. My point is you have no basis in
- 13 fact for alleging that Roy Colannino got his
- 14 son Kevin put at the top of the list?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. You have no idea how that happened?
- 17 A. No idea.
- Q. And you have no idea whether or not
- 19 Roy Colannino had anything to do with it?
- 20 A. No.

17. <u>1729 – 1733</u>:

- Q. Okay. And what is the Zayre tent
- 3 sale event or incident that you're referring
- 4 to?
- 5 A. Roy Colannino stealing stuff from
- 6 there.

- 7 Q. Okay. And how do you know that?
- 8 A. Just like the rest of the city
- 9 knows. My father-in-law was on the job.
- 10 MR. AKERSON: I'm sorry. I didn't
- 11 hear the first part of it.
- MR. DILDAY: Just like the rest of
- 13 the city knows.
- MR. AKERSON: Is that correct,
- 15 Ms. James?
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 17 Q. And who's your father-in-law?
- 18 A. Richard James.
- 19 Q. And how would Richard James have
- 20 information that Roy Colannino was stealing
- 21 from the Zayre's tent sale?
- A. My father-in-law has a lot of
- 23 information. He was almost killed on the job
- 24 because he was an honest cop.
- 1 Q. Richard James was a Revere police
- 2 officer?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. From when to when?
- 5 A. I don't know.

- 6 Q. Can you give me a rough estimate of
- 7 time?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Was he on the job when you showed
- 10 up?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Okay. Do you have some idea of how
- 13 long he had been off the job when you showed
- 14 up?
- 15 A. No. He was hit off the head with a
- 16 rock in the '70s and there was an order put
- 17 out not to investigate that.
- 18 Q. Back up a second.
- 19 A. Not to look into that.
- Q. He was hit on the head with a rock
- 21 in the '70s?
- A. Yes, while working a detail.
- Q. How do you know that?
- A. Because he told me.
- 1 Q. Okay. And how do you know an order
- 2 was put out not to investigate that?
- 3 A. He told me.
- 4 Q. Okay. And is that the only source

- 5 of knowledge you have concerning this
- 6 hit-on-the-head-with-the-rock incident is
- 7 Richard James?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Okay. What other source of
- 10 knowledge do you have on that?
- 11 A. Spoke to other officers in the
- 12 department.
- 13 Q. Who?
- 14 A. This has nothing to do with my
- 15 case.
- 16 Q. Who? You make these broad-based
- 17 allegations and I'm entitled to chase them
- 18 down, Ms. James, so who?
- 19 A. Speak to Richard James. He'll tell
- 20 you what happened to him.
- Q. I am speaking to you. You're here
- 22 at a deposition under oath. Who?
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. Do you know when in the '70s this
- 1 occurred?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Now, what information, to your

- 4 knowledge, does Richard James have about Chief
- 5 Colannino stealing from the Zayre's tent sale?
- 6 A. Roy stole from it.
- 7 Q. Okay. What did he steal?
- 8 A. I don't know.
- 9 Q. When did he steal it?
- 10 A. I don't know.
- 11 Q. What was the value of what he
- 12 stole?
- 13 A. I don't remember.
- 14 Q. Did he steal it alone or in
- 15 conjunction with somebody else?
- 16 A. I don't remember.
- 17 Q. Did Mr. Richard James tell you that
- 18 he witnessed him stealing these -- whatever he
- 19 stole?
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. Do you know how Richard James came
- 22 to know that Chief Colannino had stolen from
- 23 the Zayre's tent show -- tent sale?
- A. I'll ask him again. I haven't
- 1 spoke about it in years.
- Q. Okay. So as you sit here now, you

- 3 have absolutely no knowledge yourself
- 4 concerning Roy Colannino stealing anything
- 5 from the Zayre tent sale or anything else for
- 6 that matter?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. And I think I was asking who the
- 9 other officers you spoke to were, and you said
- 10 what? You don't remember?
- 11 A. I think I spoke to Peter Bernard.
- 12 Q. That's Lieutenant Bernard?
- 13 A. Lieutenant Peter Bernard.
- 14 Q. When did you speak to him about
- 15 this?
- 16 A. Working the shift one night.
- 17 Q. What did he tell you?
- 18 A. I don't remember.
- 19 Q. Why do you say that you know what
- 20 everyone else in Revere knows? On what basis
- 21 did you make that statement?
- A. I don't know. Finish up with what
- 23 you have to do with me. You'll learn. You
- 24 haven't been here long enough.

18. Pages 1734 – 1736:

- 5 Q. Okay. Do you know if Lieutenant
- 6 Foster knew anything about this allegation of
- 7 Chief Colannino stealing from the Zayre tent
- 8 sale?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 Q. So he may not have known about that
- 11 at all?
- 12 A. His book is bigger than mine.
- 13 Q. Whose book is bigger than yours?
- 14 A. Lieutenant Foster.
- 15 Q. And what do you mean by that?
- 16 A. The corruption that went on in
- 17 there. People took note of it.
- 18 Q. Are you saying Lieutenant Foster
- 19 has kept a book or a log or notes like your
- 20 notes of perceived corruption with the Revere
- 21 Police Department?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Have you seen that log, book,
- 24 notes, whatever it is?
- 1 A. I don't remember.
- 2 Q. Then how do you know he has such a

- 3 book?
- 4 A. I don't remember.
- 5 Q. What corruption are you referring
- 6 to?
- A. I don't know.
- 8 Q. Do you have some other set of
- 9 notes, other than the ones we're looking at
- 10 here, detailing corruption on the part of the
- 11 Revere Police Department?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Do you believe that these notes
- 14 detail acts of corruption on the part of the
- 15 Revere Police Department?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Have you personally witnessed any
- 18 acts -- corrupt acts by any officer of the
- 19 Revere Police Department?
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. Have you reported to any state law
- 22 enforcement agency your belief that there has
- 23 been corruption with the Revere Police
- 24 Department?
- 1 A. No.

- 2 Q. Have you reported to any federal
- 3 agency your belief that there has been
- 4 corruption with the Revere Police Department?
- 5 A. No.

19. <u>Pages 1736 – 1743</u>:

- 11 Q. There's a June 3rd entry, June 3rd
- 12 of 2000. Do you see that entry?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. You indicate that Officer
- 15 John Burke was late for work. Do you know why
- 16 he was late for work?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. Do you know if he had talked to his
- 19 supervisor about why he was late for work?
- 20 A. No.
- Q. So you don't know whether or not he
- 22 was late for good reason that was excused by
- 23 the department or not, do you?
- A. Certain officers, when they're
- 1 late, there's a log entry put into the
- 2 computer. There was no log entry in the

- 3 computer that Officer Burke was late.
- 4 Q. How do you know that?
- 5 A. Once again, it's a double standard.
- 6 Q. How do you know that?
- 7 A. Because I know.
- 8 Q. And how do you know?
- 9 A. Because I looked at the roster.
- 10 Q. And what roster did you look at?
- 11 A. The date he was late.
- 12 Q. When did you do that?
- 13 A. I don't remember.
- 14 Q. Were you working the same shift
- 15 with Officer Burke?
- 16 A. Apparently, I was if I wrote it in
- 17 here that he was late for work.
- 18 Q. Okay. And I assume that you were
- 19 timely and at roll call, and he was late, and
- 20 then after the roll call you accessed the
- 21 City's computer to determine whether or not a
- 22 late entry had been made with respect to him,
- 23 correct?
- A. Correct.
- 1 Q. Were you authorized to do so?

- 2 A. Look at the rosters.
- 3 Q. My question was, were you
- 4 authorized to do so?
- 5 A. I was never unauthorized to do so.
- 6 Q. Were you explicitly authorized to
- 7 check Officer Burke's records in this regard?
- 8 A. It's not Officer Burke's records.
- 9 It would be on the roster for the day. Or
- 10 there would be a log entry just like
- 11 Lieutenant Foster made a log entry about me
- 12 leaving 15 minutes early. So that's public
- 13 information.
- 14 Q. I see. Okay. And if an officer
- 15 had a legitimate reason for being late or
- 16 leaving early, would there necessarily be a
- 17 log entry reflecting that?
- MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- 19 A. I had a legitimate reason to leave
- 20 and I got a log entry.
- 21 Q. Apparently, Lieutenant Foster
- 22 didn't think it was legitimate, did he?
- A. That's Lieutenant Foster.
- Q. And, apparently, when you talked to

- 1 the chief about it --
- A. But Lieutenant Foster hangs out and
- 3 drinks beer and they're buddy buddy with John
- 4 Burke so... But if you ask Officer Malatesta,
- 5 she was noted for being late on quite a few
- 6 occasions. See, I didn't have that problem
- 7 because I was always on time for work. I
- 8 wasn't a tardy person.
- 9 Q. Was Lieutenant Foster on duty as
- 10 the OIC on June 3rd of 2000 when Officer Burke
- 11 was late for work?
- 12 A. I don't know.
- 13 Q. And so back to my question. If an
- 14 officer was either late or left early but did
- 15 so with permission and good cause, would that
- 16 necessarily be recorded in the log?
- 17 MR. DILDAY: Objection.
- 18 A. Are you asking like when
- 19 supervisors let officers go and get law
- 20 degrees while they're working? I'm quite
- 21 confused. If you can fix that question.
- Because, you know, you're looking
- 23 at somebody who was late but yet -- so some

- 24 officers it's okay for, you know, officers to
- 1 go and get their degree while they're working
- 2 in the Revere Police Department.

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- 3 Other officers are written up for
- 4 leaving sick. Okay? I'm answering your
- 5 question. It's not practice. If he was late,
- 6 it should have been logged into the roster.
- Whether he was late for reason,
- 8 whether he wasn't late for a reason, it didn't
- 9 make a difference. He was late. He should
- 10 have been logged in just like everybody else
- 11 did. Whatever his excuse was, he should have
- 12 been logged in.
- When somebody leaves early, if they
- 14 leave early for a detail and they're getting
- 15 paid for a detail and they leave 15 minutes
- 16 early, they're getting paid from the City and
- 17 then they're getting paid for a detail.
- 18 Q. Okay. So can you give me examples
- 19 of officers who left early to go on a detail
- 20 and basically got paid double time?
- A. That's why you'll have to look at
- 22 the records. You have those records.

- Q. So you can't give me one?
- A. You have those records.
- 1 Q. But you can't give me one as you
- 2 sit here now?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Okay. Now, with respect to Officer
- 5 Burke here, my question is, Other than the
- 6 fact that he was late, you have no idea
- 7 whether or not that tardiness was excused or
- 8 maybe there was a valid reason work related
- 9 that you're unaware of?
- 10 A. I already answered the question.
- 11 Q. And your answer was?
- 12 A. Certain people were allowed to
- 13 leave early and come in late.
- Q. So is John Burke one of these
- 15 persons that was allowed to come in late?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. And why do you say that?
- 18 A. Because he was Lieutenant Foster's
- 19 buddy, drinking partner.
- 20 Q. Okay. And so Lieutenant Foster had
- 21 a special relationship with Officer Burke that

- 22 allowed him to come in late?
- A. Right.
- Q. How often did Officer Burke come in
- 1 late pursuant to that special relationship?
- 2 A. I don't know.
- 3 Q. Did you complain about this special
- 4 relationship to anybody?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. To your knowledge, did anybody else
- 7 complain about this special relationship to
- 8 anybody?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 Q. Did Officer Burke have this special
- 11 relationship with any of the other supervisors
- 12 in the Revere Police Department?
- 13 A. I don't know.
- 14 Q. Did Lieutenant Foster have a
- 15 special relationship with any other officers,
- 16 other than Officer Burke, that allowed them to
- 17 come in late or leave early?
- 18 A. Officer Ciampoli came in when he
- 19 felt like it.
- Q. What shift did Officer Ciampoli

- 21 work on when you observed this conduct?
- A. Day shift.
- Q. And who was the supervisor?
- A. I don't know.
- 1 Q. And how do you know that Officer
- 2 Ciampoli could come in when he felt like it?
- 3 A. I seen him come in after roll call.
- 4 Q. And did you know why he was coming
- 5 in after roll call?
- 6 A. Because he was allowed to do that.
- 7 Q. But on the days that you saw him
- 8 coming in late for roll call, did you know
- 9 why?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. So the only thing you knew is that
- 12 he was late for the scheduled time for roll
- 13 call?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. Okay. And you have no idea whether
- 16 he was late because he was just slow getting
- 17 out the door and getting to work or he was
- 18 late because the chief had him doing something
- 19 else and made him late?

- A. Yeah.
- 20. <u>Pages 1747 1749</u>:
 - Q. Okay. Now, you note here that
 - 3 Officer Patrick Cappola was never suspended.
 - 4 What's the significance to that note?
 - 5 A. Because nothing's ever done.
 - 6 Q. Do you think him going into the
 - 7 women's locker room warranted a suspension?
 - 8 A. Absolutely.
 - 9 Q. And why do you say that?
 - 10 A. What if she was naked? It's a
 - 11 women's locker room. I have never heard of
 - 12 one of the females walking into the males'
 - 13 locker room in that Revere Police Department.
 - 14 Whether there's a sign on there or there isn't
 - 15 a sign, not one time in the whole time I
 - 16 worked in that police department did I ever
 - 17 walk into the males' locker room.
 - 18 Q. Okay. So, at a minimum, you
 - 19 felt --
 - A. What if she was standing there
 - 21 naked? What if that was your daughter

- 22 standing there naked?
- Q. So, at a minimum, you felt he
- 24 should have been suspended?
- 1 A. Absolutely.
- Q. How many days?
- 3 A. I don't know. Then his wife was
- 4 threatening her. His wife was threatening
- 5 her.
- 6 Q. Not there yet. How many days do
- 7 you think he should have been suspended?
- 8 A. I'm not the chief. I'm a patrol
- 9 officer.
- 10 Q. I understand you're a patrol
- 11 officer.
- 12 A. I'm an Indian. I don't make those
- 13 decisions. That's what the superior officers
- 14 are supposed to do. They're supposed to make
- 15 the decisions when incidents like this
- 16 happened to us.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Do I know what happened? Probably
- 19 nothing, just like nothing happened with my
- 20 incidents.

- Q. Well, something happened with the
- 22 incident from August of '97. You got
- 23 transferred to another shift, correct?
- A. Right.
- 1 Q. Okay. Now, you put in your notes
- 2 here Officer Patrick Cappola was never
- 3 suspended. And realizing that you're an
- 4 Indian, you nonetheless expressed the opinion
- 5 that he should have been suspended.
- 6 My question is, How many days?
- 7 What do you think that was worth?
- 8 A. It's not -- I don't have an
- 9 opinion.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you think it was an
- 11 offense that warranted termination?
- 12 A. I don't have an opinion.

21. <u>Pages 1749 – 1750</u>:

- 13 Q. Okay. Now, you indicate here a
- 14 short time after this Kelly McKenna was
- 15 threatened by Officer Pat Cappola's wife. How
- 16 do you know that?
- 17 A. She told me.

- 18 Q. Kelly McKenna told you?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. You weren't present when this
- 21 alleged threat occurred?
- A. I don't remember.
- Q. Okay. And what did Kelly tell you
- 24 about this alleged threat?
- 1 A. I don't remember.
- Q. Well, wait a minute. It says, "I
- 3 am well aware of this incident because I was
- 4 the reporting officer." Do you see that?
- 5 A. There you go. You answered your
- 6 own question.

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22. Pages 1755 – 1756:

- 19 Q. Do you recall anyone else who was
- 20 present when Mr. Richard James allegedly told
- 21 you that Roy Colannino allegedly stole stuff
- 22 from Zayre's tent sale?
- A. No. But that was also -- that was
- 24 also a rumor in the police department.

- 1 Q. Do you recall my question?
- 2 A. Was there anybody else present?
- 3 Q. That was my question.
- 4 A. And I said I don't know if my
- 5 husband was there. That was -- that was it.
- 6 That was my answer.
- 7 Q. I know you said you're not sure if
- 8 your husband was there. Was anyone else
- 9 present?
- 10 A. No.

23. <u>Pages 1756 – 1757</u>:

- 11 Q. Do you know if Richard James told
- 12 you that he had reported Roy Colannino's
- 13 actions specifically with regard to allegedly
- 14 taking property from the Zayre's tent sale to
- 15 any law enforcement entities?
- 16 A. I'm not sure what he reported and
- 17 who he reported it to.
- 18 Q. All right. Is your --
- 19 A. But he almost lost his life for his
- 20 integrity. So I can't sit here and speak for
- 21 what my father-in-law did while he was on the

- 22 job.
- Q. Okay. My question was, Did
- 24 Mr. James inform you that he had reported Roy
- 1 Colannino's alleged theft of stuff from the
- 2 Zayre tent sale to any law enforcement entity?
- 3 A. No.